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SUBJ: PROPOSED PACIFIC NORTHWEST INTERNATIONAL TRADE COUNCIL

IOGA TRADE MISSION-FOREST INDUSTRIES

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1. EMBASSY WELCOMES SUBJECT PROPOSED MISSION WHICH MAY FIT UNDER GOAL E OF DRAFT CCP. FURTHERMORE, IT MAY BE THAT PRECIPITOUS DETERIORATION IN WORLD TIMBER AND WOOD MANUFACTURES MARKET WILL SHOW SIGNS OF RECOVERY BY TIME OF PROPOSED VISIT. MISSION COULD ALSO SERVE AS FOLLOW UP TO APRIL 1973 TRADE MISSION (REF B).

2. TIMING IS ACCEPTABLE THOUGH THERE IS MAJOR INDONESIAN HOLIDAY, BIRTHDAY OF PROPHET MOHAMMED, IN APRIL 1975 AND WE ARE CHECKING WITH APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES TO ASCERTAIN DATE. THERE MAY BE ERROR IN REF A AS RECEIVED SINCE IT INDICATES VISIT TO JAKARTA ONLY APRIL 10. WE WOULD HOPE OUR ASSUMPTION IS INCORRECT BECAUSE WE COULD NOT BELIEVE THIS SERIOUS ATTEMPT

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IF SCHEDULED FOR ONLY ONE DAY. ON OTHER HAND

IF TIME ALLOCATED IS LONGER IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT APRIL 11 IS FRIDAY, WHICH IS NORMALLY A HALF WORK DAY FOR GOI AND MOST INDONESIAN BUSINESS FIRMS.

3. GOI IS PROMOTING SHIFT FROM EXPORT OF LOGS TO PROCESSED WOOD PRODUCTS AND IF PROPOSED MISSION INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES FROM WOOD PROCESSING MACHINERY COMPANIES, WE BELIEVE THIS IS GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR SUCH FIRMS.

4. FSO CHARLES PRINDEVILLE, CURRENTLY ON ASSIGNMENT TO USDOC, BIC/OIM LED APRIL 73 TRADE MISSION (REF B). WE BELIEVE PRINDEVILLE COULD PROVIDE VALUABLE COUNSEL TO PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL TRADE COUNCIL IN ITS PLANNED ACTIVITIES.
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